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The Rich Men of Washington.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller, the richest man in the District of Columbia, is probably the most famous of the great fortune tellers. His great start was made during the Mexican war, when he bought government bonds when they were far below par, and then sold them when they were redeemed at face value. Since that time, speculation has been his life, and in the care of his property, which is reputed to be \$100,000,000. Of late years, however, the active management of his affairs has been in the hands of an agent, Mr. C. O. Corcoran, who has indulged in the art of public gallery. His name is known by the name of the finest permanent collection of paintings in the United States, and among many notable specimens of modern masters. Mr. Corcoran has a vast library in his house, and a building on H street, which is a garden, which occupies the square. Here he lives in a not extravagant style, with a house, his only daughter, wife and religious faith he is an Episcopalian, and a zealous and zealous man. His gifts to the cause of religion, religion and the care of the poor, amount to \$2,000,000, and it is an estimate that he contemplates still more public gifts.

It would be difficult to find two men more unlike in disposition and habits. Mr. Corcoran and the man who posed to be his rival in wealth, Mr. A. Willard, Mr. Willard knows how much he is worth, and he is worth millions. Some of his well-informed friends say he is worth a million; others believe he is worth anywhere from five to ten millions. "Jo" Willard is an odd character. He lives all alone in a small, old-fashioned house in Fourteenth street, near F street, which is kept closed. He has no friends and no haunts; takes part in no social relations, indulges in no social engagements, never goes to church, has no family, except a son who lives away from him, never speaks with his two brothers, Henry and Caleb, with whom he quarreled long years ago, in short, meets the world at arm's length, and is to be seen only at points of contact as possible. His apparent aim is to accumulate money, and in this he has been remarkably successful. He owns one-half of the Washington district, and is the holder of government bonds in millions.

The Willard brothers came to this country originally from Vermont, in the time of Jackson's time, and it is said that the family feud, the story of which is one of the strangest Washington people have to tell, dates back to that period, and is shown to the jealousy of Joseph Willard shown to his brothers by the

politicians then in power. But whatever the origin, the animosity displayed is most intense and eccentric.

Few residents of Washington have ever seen this odd millionaire, for one of his eccentricities is to rarely leave his house in the day time. After nightfall, however, it is his custom to stroll forth and walk about town to inspect his property, and Mrs. Grundy observes that he always goes back into his house by the basement door, and then bolts everything carefully up for the night. He attends to his rents himself, and as fast as he collects his money goes to a bank or the treasury and buys government bonds. Bankers say he does not even keep a bank account here but transacts necessary banking business through the Park and Chemical banks of New York. He has some of his bonds deposited also in Philadelphia.

In person Mr. Willard does not at all suggest the miser and recluse. He is a handsome man and can be very agreeable. He is about sixty years of age and has been several times married. One of his wives was a remarkably beautiful woman.

Hotel Damaged by Fire.

Naperville, Ont., November 25.—The Campbell hotel block was damaged by fire to the extent of \$3,000.

TEXAS STATE NEWS.

Thanksgiving day will probably be more generally observed in Texas this year than ever before.

Baron Von Schoeler of Corpus Christi has a strange pet, an immense snake of the anaconda species.

Two Sisters of Mercy visited Galveston, soliciting aid for an orphan asylum under charge of the order at Galveston, in which 120 children are taken care of.

The town of Uvalde is to have a \$300 hotel for invalid visitors, and also a first-class school.

The story is told that a Weatherford judge laughed so heartily at one of Congressman Langham's jokes that he coughed up a hard calcareous substance and cured himself of threatened consumption.

The three-year-old son of Marlon Sanchez in Edward county has been missing for fifteen days, during which time forty men have been on the search.

The Longview Methodist congregation have voted in favor of instrumental music in public worship.

Dr. Ray Scott of Denton is the inventor of a patent mail bag fastening which has been recommended by the postmaster-general.

When a Waxahachie preacher announced his text, he simply said: "Hell—what is it?"

A train of empty coal cars on the Missouri Pacific which passed through Denton the other day was half a mile long.

Rev. A. O. Hall, who died recently in Denton, was the author of a "Self-Teaching Grammar," which may be published by his son.

Mr. Lyman Rockwell of Denton is the inventor of a "dry washer," intended to separate placer gold from sand and gravel without water. The refuse feeds an overshot wheel, and furnishes the motive power.

Dan P. Smith has been granted a divorce from his wife, in the court at San Antonio. The late Mrs. Smith created a great sensation in San Antonio by eloping and going to St. Louis some time ago.

Eight divorces were granted at the last term of the Walker county district court.

Bandera is on the eve of a genuine and permanent boom. A survey has demonstrated that by diverting the water of Medina river, at a cost of only \$10,000, a steady eight-horse power can be obtained, sufficient to run at least eight factories and mills. Capital will not be slow to take hold of such advantages.

Reese Goble and his accomplice in the killing of Will Thompson, on the Salina, several years ago, were recently captured in Mexico, after a desperate fight, in which Goble and his companion were mortally wounded.

There is a hegin of gamblers from Texarkana. Like Othello, their occupation is gone, under a strict enforcement of the law on both sides of the line.

The recent Catholic fair at Texarkana netted over \$1,200.

An enthusiastic Englishman in San Antonio, relating to a friend on the street the pleasures of a fox chase in old England, at the conclusion of his narrative gave a genuine "tally ho!" at the top of his lungs. He was arrested by a policeman and fined five dollars for boisterous conduct.

During the winter antelope come down to the railroad track near Big Springs and are afraid to cross. This makes them plentiful and hunters reap a rich harvest.

The Texarkana grand jury failed to indict the saloon men for violation of the Sunday law, although they kept open on Sunday during the sitting of that body.

Congressman James K. Jones carried his family to Washington with him.

Mr. Willis, the farmer who was robbed of \$100 on the Dallas and Denton road, saved fifty dollars which he had concealed in his hat.

The superintendent of the Carrollton, Denton, county, Sunday school, distributed twenty-four "little brown jugs" to his pupils. They are to be "passed around" for nickels, and will be broken around on Christmas day.

The Carrollton debating society decided that Columbus was entitled to more credit for discovering America than Washington for defending it. This is still an open question, however, and may be debated elsewhere.

A Denison tramp begged passers-by for ten cents each, stating that he wanted it "to get drunk on."

In attempting to ford Red river at Jintown a farmer lost a bale of cotton. It was caught eighty miles below and returned to the owner, who sold it for \$45.50, and gave half the proceeds to the finder.

The walls of the new jail at Belton are six feet high, and steadily rising.

The New Braunfels woolen millaire doing a fine business, turning out 300 yards of cloth and 200 pairs of blankets per week.

Taylor Allen, a farmer near Honey Grove, has made a fair sample of sugar from sorghum cane.

Mrs. J. W. Bell and Mrs. W. T. Beard, near Honey Grove, went on a possum hunt the other night and caught two fine specimens. The small boy who accompanied them is mentioned in the local paper.

FOREIGN.

TURKEY.

Constantinople, November 26.—Bahri Pasha, chief of police, and six officers of the secret police are on trial, charged with blackmail. Their plan was to accuse innocent persons with counterfeiting. If the accused were willing to pay a heavy bribe, the prosecution was stopped, but if they refused the amount demanded, conviction was usually secured through perjured testimony. The plot was discovered through a failure of Bahri to pay those whom he had employed to testify. It is known that nine innocent persons were thus convicted and are now serving long terms of imprisonment.

EGYPT.

THE PANIC AT KHARTOUM.—The latest from Sudan confirms the news of the defeat of Hicks Pasha. The panic at Khartoum is said to be increasing, wharves to rumors that El Mahdi, with a large force, is advancing upon that city and has cut off all supplies of grain. Official advices admit that Europeans are leaving Khartoum with boats. Two transports with guns (Barney and Baker) have been ordered to leave Sudan today for Suakin. Baker Pasha will probably command the expedition. Plans are being prepared for the fortification of Assouan.

EL MAHDI'S ENEMIES.—Cairo, November 26.—Emissaries from El Mahdi have arrived in Tripoli and Algeria. The possibility that the Egyptian Sudan army is safe is being again discussed.

ORDERED TO SUAKIN.—Alexandria, November 26.—The Egyptian corvette Sakhra and the French cruiser Infernel have been ordered to Suakin.

SUDAN.—London, November 26.—A Khartoum dispatch says the Arabs report a large force of rebels close to Khartoum. El Mahdi has issued orders to all the

tribes not to send corn to Khartoum. We have provisions for a month only, with 2,000 men here to defend nearly four miles of lines. Communication is perfectly useless unless we attempt to hold Khartoum, where the population is lumbering over a volcano. The land retreat is closed and the river may be stopped to-morrow. The rebels are holding the cliffs overlooking the river at Sebulake.

AN EX-MINISTER DYING.—Paris, November 26.—Ropier, Louis Napoleon's minister of state, is reported dying.

THE SOLEIL'S FEARS.—Paris, November 26.—The Soleil fears England will seek to compensate herself for the loss of Sudan by taking the island of Halmien, off Tonquin, and advises France to accept England's assistance in the far East without paying for it too dearly.

THE EGYPTIAN QUESTION.—Paris, November 26.—The Journal des Debats says if England should abandon Egypt, the barbarians now at its doors would occupy the country and civilization would suffer immense loss.

MARQUIS TRENG.—Paris, November 26.—The departure of Treng the Chinese ambassador, is believed to be imminent.

BRITISH MEDIATION.—Paris, November 26.—La Liberte publishes a telegram from London stating that England offered to mediate between France and China, and that France accepted. The telegram also says England recognizes that the interests of France justify occupation by the French of both Soutay and Bacinh but strongly advises France to pursue a conciliatory policy.

THE TONGKIN POLICY.—Berlin, November 26.—The Paris correspondent of the Cologne Gazette says even if the Chinese regulars oppose the French in Tonquin, France will not consider it a *casus belli*. She will not blockade the Chinese coast, nor bombard maritime towns except by the fear of complications with England. France is convinced that British ships would not respect a blockade, and if in case of a blockade France should capture English vessels, it is feared England would be compelled to interfere seriously. There is therefore reason to believe that France has favorably received the offer of English mediation. Unless China declares war after the attack on Bacinh, hostilities will remain semi-official and be confined to the Red river delta.

ONTARIO.—A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—Fort Perry, Ont., November 26.—A fire last night destroyed \$150,000 worth of property in the center of town. It commenced in Rudy's hotel, and made a sweep of Queen street on the north side from the Ross elevator to McCane's jewelry store. The flames had made such headway before discovery that they were entirely beyond control. A strong wind prevented the flames from spreading to the south side of the

street, and saved the destruction of the rest of the town. A large quantity of goods were removed and damaged. No lives lost.

ENGLAND.

A PLEA OF GUILTY.—London, November 26.—The trial of Geo. Warden, manager and cashier of the London River Plate bank for stealing, and of John David Walters, stock and share broker, for stealing and receiving bonds of the bank, began to-day. Warden pleaded guilty.

He was sentenced to twelve years penal servitude.

BELGIUM.

THE NEW PRIMATE.—Brussels, November 26.—The Archbishop of Namur has been appointed cardinal and primate of Belgium. It is hoped this will settle the questions at issue between the vatican and Belgium.

DAILY AND GARNIER.—Brussels, November 26.—The match game of billiards to take place between Daly and Garnier at Lyons begins December 15th. The game will be played under the new rules, by which the table will be divided into eight squares, in each of which the player may earn only once without driving one of the balls outside of the square.

HUNGARY.

A DUEL WITH SWORDS.—Nagyreghaza, Hungary, November 26.—A duel with swords was fought to-day between Herrman, one of the defending counsel in the recent trial of Jews charged with murdering the girl for ritual purposes, and Herr Vay, a police commissioner, whom the former accused of torturing Jewish prisoners. Herr Vay was severely wounded in the chest.

SPAIN.

THE NEW MINISTER.—Madrid, November 26.—Juan Valero, the author, is officially gazetted as Spanish minister at Washington.

JAPAN.

THE BRITISH SQUADRON.—Nagasaki, Japan, November 26.—British man-of-war Audacious, the flagship of the admiral of the Chinese squadron, which was recently docked there for repairs, has been undocked under instructions telegraphed from the admiral at Shanghai, and the vessel is now in the harbor with steam up awaiting orders. Two vessels of the fleet have already sailed for China seas.

THE PROTEUS INQUIRY.—Washington, D. C., Nov. 26.—The Proteus court adjourned till December 9th. The secretary of war will summon Captain Pike of the Proteus, and other witnesses desired by Hazen.

Change of Officers.—Chicago, November 26.—C. C. Wheeler, it is stated, will succeed J. S. Lang as general superintendent of the Chicago & Northwestern railway next Saturday.